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Homicide Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department is conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred on Friday, January 28, 2022.

The victim has been identified as: Javarious Reed, (17), B/M, of Birmingham, Alabama.

At approximately 11:40 p.m., North Precinct officers were dispatched to the 2900 block of 16th Street North on report of shots fired. Officers arrived on the scene and observed multiple spent shell casings in the roadway.

While on the scene, officers learned a victim was transported to UAB Hospital via private vehicle. Shortly after the victim's arrival, UAB Hospital staff pronounced the victim deceased.

The preliminary investigation suggests the victim was travelling inside of a vehicle in the 2900 block of 16th Street North when shots were fired in the area. The victim was fatally wounded by gunfire while he was inside of a vehicle. At this time, it is unknown if the victim was targeted.

Currently, there is no suspect(s) in custody.

If there is anyone who has information pertaining to the case, please contact the B.P.D. Homicide Unit @ 205-254-1764 or Crime Stoppers @ 205-254-7777.

Anonymous tips can also be submitted to Crime Stoppers through the Birmingham Police Department's Mobile App on Android or IOS devices. Updates will be provided as information comes available.

This is Birmingham's 10th murder investigation of 2022.

The Birmingham Police Department adheres to FBI Uniform Crime Reporting guidelines set for all law enforcement agencies across the United States. FBI Uniform Crime Reporting guidelines do not require law enforcement agencies to include justifiable death investigations into the total homicide investigations counts.

The information is based on a preliminary and ongoing investigation, which continues to evolve as investigators interview witnesses, review physical and electronic records, and analyze forensic evidence. The Department's understanding of the facts and circumstances may change as additional evidence is collected and analyzed

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